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*Courtesy Rob Hampson*

KAWARTHA LAKES-Some staff of the Bank of Montreal in Bobcaygeon took to the streets with placards today denouncing mandatory vaccines.

Witnesses say some staff members were outside the branch

this afternoon for approximately an hour. They held signs saying Freedom Not Force and True North Strong And Free. Witnesses say they said they are being forced to get the vaccine to keep their jobs.

Bank of Montreal recently told staff in an email that due to the rise of the delta variant, it would be requiring vaccines for all in-person staff.

"Our new requirement is that all North American employees and contractors eligible for vaccination get their shots, with a target completion date of October 31," Chief Human Resources Officer Mona Malone said. "Those who remain unvaccinated will be required to complete twice-a-week COVID-19 testing and comply with alternative health and safety measures to enter a BMO location."

We have reached out BMO but have not heard back. This is a developing story and we will have more information as it becomes available.